

REMARKS

I. Introduction

Applicants would like to thank Examiner Ho for the indication of allowable subject matter recited by claims 2, 5, 11, 14 and 17. In response to the Office Action dated January 26, 2005, Applicants have canceled claims 1, 3-4, 6-10, 12-13 and 15-16, without prejudice or disclaimer. Claims 2, 5 and 11 have also been rewritten into independent format. Claim 18 is added. Support for these amendments can be found, for example, in Fig. 5 and its corresponding sections of the specification. No new matter has been added.

II. Objections to the Drawings

The drawings are objected to under 37 C.F.R. §1.83(a), because the following claim limitations are not shown therein:

1. “connected to a different node” and “said bump is formed outside above the edge of the uppermost layer wiring connected to a different node from that of the rewiring layer connected to said bump” recited in claim 3;
2. “connected to the same node,” “wherein said bump is formed outside above the edge of said uppermost layer wiring connected to the same mode as that of the rewiring layer connected to said bump” and “said bump is formed outside above the edge of the uppermost layer wiring connected to a different node from that of the rewiring layer connected to said bump” as recited in claim 4;
3. “arranging said bump so that it is located outside above the edge of said upper most layer wiring connected to a different node from that of the rewiring layer connected to said bump” recited in claim 9;

4. “connect to the same node,” “said uppermost layer wiring connected to the same node as that of the rewiring layer connected to said bump” and “arranging said bump so that it is located outside above the edge of said uppermost layer wiring connected to a different node from that of the rewiring layer connected to said bump” as recited in claim 10; and

5. “outside a region where said uppermost layer wiring exists” and “arranging said bump so that it is located outside a region where said uppermost layer wiring exists” as recited in claim 12.

In response, Applicants have canceled claims 3, 4, 9, 10 and 12, rendering the objections thereto moot. Applicants have also deleted the foregoing claim limitations from amended claims 5 and 11. Accordingly, it is respectfully submitted that the objections to the claims presumably have been overcome. Withdrawal of the objections is respectfully solicited.

III. The Rejection Of Claims 13-17 Under 35 U.S.C. § 112, Second Paragraph

Claims 13-17 are rejected under 35 U.S.C. § 112, second paragraph, as being indefinite, because it is not clear which claim element is “located beneath each of all bumps.” As claims 13, 15 and 16 are canceled, it is respectfully submitted that the rejections thereto are moot. With regard to claims 14 and 17, in an effort to advance prosecution, these claims have been amended to recite “...such that the uppermost layer element wiring structure is located beneath each of all bumps.” Accordingly, Applicants respectfully submit that claims 14 and 17 are in compliance with the requirements of 35 U.S.C. § 112, second paragraph. It is respectfully requested that the rejection of claims 14 and 17 be withdrawn in view of the foregoing amendment.

As all of the pending issues have been aptly addressed, Applicants respectfully submit that the instant application is now in condition for allowance.

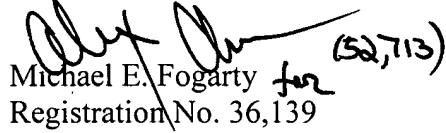
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If there are any outstanding issues that might be resolved by an interview or an Examiner's amendment, the Examiner is requested to call Applicants' attorney at the telephone number shown below.

To the extent necessary, a petition for an extension of time under 37 C.F.R. § 1.136 is hereby made. Please charge any shortage in fees due in connection with the filing of this paper, including extension of time fees, to Deposit Account 500417 and please credit any excess fees to such deposit account.

Respectfully submitted,

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